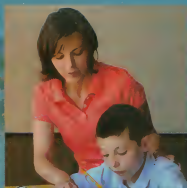


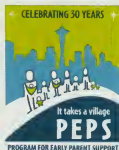
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866-482-4325, qris@del.wa.gov
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ings have strong instruction, training for staff and family engagement to support children's success. Childcare providers demonstrate a commitment to quality simply by participating in Early Achievers. Participating providers receive free training, technical assistance and scholarships. Early Achievers helps parents and families evaluate how programs and providers are preparing children to succeed. Ask your provider about Early Achievers.

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Atlantic Street Center

2103 S. Atlantic St., Seattle WA 98144 (office)
206-329-2050
www.atlanticstreet.org;
volunteerinfo@atlanticstreet.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 13 and older.

What They Do: Atlantic Street Center has been helping kids and families thrive for more than a century. They are one of just a few nonprofit organizations in the Seattle area that serve individuals at every stage of life, from toddlers to grandparents. Primary service areas include early learning, youth development, family support, counseling services and case management through the Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative.

How You Can Help: Teens can assist middle school youth with homework assignments and daily learning activities, offer homework help and reading support for elementary school students and their parents during Family Study Time, sort and organize baby clothes and donations at the Baby Shoppe or volunteer at Atlantic Street Center's Summer Academy, a four-week educational support program that includes academic instruction along with enrichment activities.

Details: Volunteer opportunities, as well as volunteer application documents, can be found on Atlantic Street Center's website.

Bike Works

3709 S. Ferdinand St., Seattle WA 98118
206-725-9408
www.bikeworks.org; info@bikeworks.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages.

What They Do: Bike Works is an innovative organization centered around bicycles that combines youth development, community engagement, bicycle recycling and a social enterprise bike shop to help build a sustainable and healthy community. Each year, Bike Works collects more than 4,000 bicycles to refurbish or recycle. Bikes are then used in bike riding and bike repair programs, sold in the Community Bike Shop, which helps fund programming, and given away to schools and nonprofit partners.

How You Can Help: Donate whole bicycles, miscellaneous parts, bike frames and accessories or gear to be recycled or reused through Bike Works programs. Bike Works is especially in need of kids' bikes.

Details: Donations are accepted at the Columbia City shop during business hours, Tuesday through Sunday, or at recycling and disposal stations in north and south Seattle, Shoreline, Tukwila and Issaquah.

Camp Korey

28901 N.E. Carnation Farm Road, Carnation WA 98014 (office)
425-844-3100
www.campkorey.org;
mhutchinson@campkorey.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 16 and older, age requirement varies for different opportunities.

What They Do: Camp Korey serves children with serious and life-altering medical conditions and their families at no cost. Year-round recreation programs specially designed to support the medical needs of campers let them just be kids and have fun.

How You Can Help: Volunteers assist with housekeeping or work with a chef to prepare, serve and clean up during family weekend camps. Kids of all ages can help with special events throughout the year, such as the Carnation 4th of July parade, fall festival in October or organic gardening. Families can also fulfill items on Camp Korey's online wish list, such as camping coolers and sunscreen.

Details: Assisting the chef requires a current flu shot, application, background check and King County food handlers' card. Event volunteers younger than 16 must be accompanied by an adult or guardian.

Catholic Community Services of Western Washington

100 23rd Ave. S., Seattle WA 98144 (office)
206-328-5953
www.ccsww.org; info@ccsww.org

Kids Can Help: High school students, age requirement varies for different opportunities.

What They Do: Catholic Community Services of Western Washington serves and supports

poor and vulnerable people through the provision of quality, integrated services and housing. They provide services to clients regardless of their race, color, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, family size, political ideology, age, creed, religion, ancestry, national origin or veteran's status.

How You Can Help: The Youth Tutoring Program is an after-school educational enrichment program for students grades 1 through 12 living in low- and mixed-income housing communities in Seattle. Volunteer tutors help provide the youth with a safe and positive environment to explore learning and experience academic and personal success. The Volunteer Chore Services program offers opportunities for families to help out with chores and yard work for King County seniors. Learn more about the plethora of current volunteer opportunities at Catholic Community Services by visiting their website.

Details: Volunteer tutors must be active high school students (or have obtained their high school diploma or equivalent), complete the formal application process and be interested in making a difference in the lives of youth. Teens older than 16 who have parental permission can volunteer on their own.

Childhaven

316 Broadway, Seattle WA 98122 (office)
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www.childhaven.org; info@childhaven.org

Kids Can Help: High school students.

What They Do: Childhaven is a leader in therapeutic child care for the youngest victims of abuse and neglect. In three King County locations, they intervene during the most critical period of brain development for children – one month through 5 years – with therapy, social interaction and emotional support. Parents and caregivers also get support.

How You Can Help: Through an Amazon.com wish list, donors are able to purchase items to create birthday packages for Childhaven children. Or, shop with your kids on Childhaven's online list of items that teachers use to provide therapeutic care to nearly 400 children and families each year. Volunteer opportunities include classroom helpers and the teen Youth Board, which raises money to help fund Childhaven programs.

Details: Classroom helpers must be 18 or older and commit to at least one two-hour time block a week for a minimum of six months. The Youth Board is a year-long commitment for high school students. Applications for 2013-2014 will be available on Childhaven's website in April.

Children's Alliance

718 Sixth Ave. S., Seattle WA 98104
206-324-0340 or 1-800-854-5437
www.childrensalliance.org; seattle@childrensalliance.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with parent supervision.

What They Do: Children's Alliance is an advocacy organization working to protect kids by changing laws, to serve kids by making sure that programs and policies work, to put kids first by securing money and to advocate for kids by holding lawmakers accountable. Current campaigns focus on early learning, covering all kids with health insurance, ending childhood hunger and improving foster care.

How You Can Help: Parents and children can help by telling their personal stories to lawmakers and asking them to enact laws or fund programs that are important to them. Call 360-786-7573 or visit www.leg.wa.gov to find your local representatives. Visit the Children's Alliance website to learn about their legislative agenda.

Want a speaker about kids' issues and advocacy at your community event? Looking for tips about how to spread the word about kids' issues in your community? Contact Emijah Smith, community organizer, at emijah@child-reliance.org.

Committee for Children

2815 Second Ave., Suite 400, Seattle WA 98121

206-343-1223 or 1-800-634-4449

www.cfchildren.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with parent supervision.

What They Do: For more than 30 years, Committee for Children has developed research-based curricula for social-emotional learning, bullying prevention and child abuse prevention. It is best known for its Second Step: Skills for Social and Academic Success curriculum for early learning through grade eight, which teaches skills for learning, empathy, emotion management and problem solving.

How You Can Help: Some schools cannot afford the curriculum. Families or groups could fundraise to buy a curriculum kit and donate it to a local school. To learn more about kit costs and how to make a donation, visit Committee for Children's website.

Communities In Schools of Washington

1010 S. 336th St., Federal Way WA 98003

(office)

253-248-1991

www.cisw.org; info@cisw.org

Kids Can Help: Age requirement varies for different opportunities.

What They Do: In more than 200 communities across 27 states, Communities In Schools works closely with schools and other partners to get young people the things they need to learn, grow, and stay in school, including after-school help and family services. The 12 affiliates in Washington include Seattle, Federal Way, Auburn, Kent, Renton and Tacoma.

How You Can Help: Volunteer opportunities vary, as the programs are tailored to the needs of the individual communities. Youth might volunteer as peer mentors or tutors for younger students, get involved in community service

initiatives, such as Puyallup's March Gladness where 32 schools work on a service project, or help at a special event, such as collecting school supplies for a "Stuff the Bus" campaign.

Details: Contact the Communities In Schools affiliates individually to see about youth volunteer opportunities. For a list of affiliates, visit www.cisw.org/contactus.

Compass Housing Alliance

77 S. Washington St., Seattle WA 98104

(office)

206-357-3100

www.compasshousingalliance.org;

volunteer@compasshousingalliance.org

Kids Can Help: Age requirement varies for different opportunities.

What They Do: The Compass Housing Alliance provides a range of services and housing options to people struggling with homelessness and poverty in the Seattle area, including emergency and transitional housing and permanent affordable housing for families with children.

How You Can Help: Volunteers can help prepare and serve meals at Compass's shelters. Families can also schedule to bring dessert to the meals. Donations of hygiene items (toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, etc.), socks, new warm hats and gloves, and twin sheets are also needed.

Details: In most cases minors are allowed to volunteer at Compass Housing Alliance as long as they are accompanied by a parent or guardian. Call to make an appointment to deliver donation items.

Eastside Baby Corner

1510 N.W. Maple St., Issaquah WA 98027

425-865-0234

www.babycorner.org; ebc@babycorner.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 7 and older.

What They Do: Eastside Baby Corner makes a positive difference in the lives of children and families in need by collecting and purchasing children's items and distributing them, free of charge, through agencies supporting families in east King County. The organization serves as a diaper bank, clothing bank and food source for more than 500 kids each week.

How You Can Help: Volunteers either sort incoming donations or fulfill orders for children. Donations of clothes, toys, furniture and diapers can also be made. Check the website for donation times and items they accept.

Details: Kids younger than 14 must be accompanied by an adult. Weekly shifts are available. Sign up for opportunities online.

Encompass

1407 Beach Ave. N.W., North Bend WA

98045 (office)

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www.encompassnw.org;

lisa.yeager@encompassnw.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with adult supervision.

What They Do: Encompass is a children's and family-services organization with programs that nurture typical and developmentally-challenged children, enrich families in all their diversity, and inspire community through the Snoqualmie Valley, Issaquah, Sammamish and the greater Eastside.

How You Can Help: Youth volunteers can help with various events, including Encompass summer camps and local community festivals like the North Bend Block Party on July 20, 2013. Family Night volunteers interact with children and families in the program on select Friday nights at the Si View Community Center in North Bend.

Details: Volunteers must fill out an application form and receive a background check.

Family Support Center of South Sound

201 Capitol Way N., Olympia WA 98501

360-754-9297

www.fssc.org; cindy@fssc.org

Kids Can Help: Teens, age requirement varies for different opportunities.

What They Do: The Family Support Center is a nonprofit community resource center offering a variety of services and programs for children and families in the heart of historic downtown Olympia. Programs include homeless family services, parent resource services, parent education and supervised visitation.

How You Can Help: Volunteers are needed as greeters and overnight hosts at the Family Support Shelter, which provides emergency shelter for families with children younger than 18. Families can also volunteer their time to cook a home-style meal or plan a craft night at the shelter. In-kind donations of diapers, pull-ups, baby wipes, bus passes, laundry vouchers and hygiene items are also needed.

Details: Volunteers must be 18 to sign up by themselves, but children are welcome to volunteer with parents. The volunteer greeter position runs from 5 to 7:30 p.m. each night; the overnight position from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. Volunteers are provided with training, access to staff and 24-hour on-call support during their shifts.

FamilyWorks

1501 N. 45th St., Seattle WA 98103

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www.familyworkssseattle.org;

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Kids Can Help: Ages 12 and older.

What They Do: With the combination of a food bank and a family resource center, FamilyWorks offers people in Wallingford and surrounding neighborhoods a unique opportunity to nourish and strengthen their bodies, minds and spirit in a positive, supportive environment.

How You Can Help: Food bank volunteers help with individual packaging of bulk food, sort, bag and distribute food to customers and clean up the warehouse.

Details: A minimum commitment of two hours per week is requested.

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www.firstplaceschool.org;
jsgcggins@firstplaceschool.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 15 ½ and older.

What They Do: First Place serves families in crisis by providing education, housing and support services, enabling families to achieve permanent stability. The organization offers elementary education at First Place School, health and mental health programs and housing assistance.

How You Can Help: Once-a-week volunteer opportunities in the classroom include teacher's aides, mentors and tutors. First Place also collects new and gently-used clothing, school supplies, hygiene/personal items or household items, as well as books and classroom supplies. **Details:** Classroom volunteers have set schedules from September through June. Donations can be delivered by appointment during regular business hours.

The Food Bank @ St. Mary's

611 20th Ave. S., Seattle WA 98144
206-324-7100
www.thefbms.org; volunteer@thefbms.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 7 and older.

What They Do: The Food Bank @ St. Mary's, located in Seattle's Central District, provides groceries to those in need through a walk-in food bank and home delivery program.

How You Can Help: Volunteers help with various projects, such as sorting food donations, distributing food to customers, picking up donations and delivering groceries to homebound residents.

Details: Kids need to be at least 16 to volunteer on their own, though younger volunteers can be accompanied by an adult. Volunteers need to be able to stand, bend and grab items with their hands, and should be comfortable working in a busy, sometimes loud environment.

Food Lifeline

1702 N.E. 150th St., Shoreline WA 98155
877-404-7543
www.foodlifeline.org; volunteer@fll.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 6 and older.

What They Do: Food Lifeline stocks the shelves at 275 food banks, meal programs and shelters throughout Western Washington. The 35 million pounds of food secured from restaurants, grocery stores, farmers and manufacturers feeds 745,000 people every year. Food Lifeline is the local member of the nation's largest hunger relief organization, Feeding America.

How You Can Help: At Community Volunteer Night at the Shoreline warehouse, volunteers help sort, label and repackaging food for distribution to local food banks, meal programs and shelters.

Details: Community Volunteer Nights happen every Wednesday from 6 to 8 p.m. Online reservations for these events are required, and they can book up fast.

Friends of Youth

13116 N.E. 132nd St., Kirkland WA 98034
(office)
425-869-6490
www.friendsofyouth.org;
volunteer@friendsofyouth.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 13 and older.

What They Do: Friends of Youth has spent the past 62 years meeting the needs of youth in crisis, and providing safe places and emotional support to those in challenging circumstances.

How You Can Help: Families can donate essential supplies – diapers and formula for young mothers, healthy snack bags for homeless youth, or new clothes and household items for foster youth. Check the website for a wish list of current needs. Teens can also assist in the following ways: providing childcare, as dinner donors preparing meals for the shelter, at the administrative office with creative projects and at events throughout the year.

Details: To sign up for a volunteer position, complete the online volunteer application. Interested families are encouraged to call or email for more information.

Girls on the Run of Puget Sound

1265 S. Main St., Seattle WA 98144 (office)
206-528-2118
www.girlsrun.org; anna@girlsrun.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 16 and older.

What They Do: Girls on the Run is a positive youth development program that combines an interactive curriculum and running to inspire self-respect and healthy lifestyles in pre-teen girls.

How You Can Help: Volunteer coaches and co-coaches work directly with third through fifth-grade girls by leading them through fun and active lessons each week while helping them prepare for a non-competitive 5K event. Volunteer running buddies run (walk, skip or hop) with a girl during two 5K experiences: on-site at the practice 5K and at the actual race.

Details: Co-coaches volunteer about four to six hours a week for 10 weeks. Running buddies must commit to being at the practice and 5K runs. Both require background checks.

Hopelink

10675 Willows Road N.E., Redmond WA 98052 (office)
425-869-6066
www.hope-link.org;
volunteerwithus@hope-link.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 7 and older.

What They Do: Hopelink offers an integrated array of programs that enable families in crisis to make progress toward and achieve self-sufficiency, including food bank help, emer-

gency family shelter and a family development program that aids those at risk of homelessness. Hopelink emergency service centers are located in Bellevue, Kirkland, Redmond, Shoreline and Sno-Valley.

How You Can Help: All Hopelink centers accept volunteers, who stock and sort food donations and offer general food bank help.

Details: An adult guardian or chaperone is required for volunteers ages 15 and younger. Volunteers are expected to make a three-month or more commitment.

International Rescue Committee - Seattle

100 S. King St., Seattle WA 98104 (office)
206-623-2105
www.rescue.org/us-program/us-seattle-wa;
volunteerssea@rescue.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with adult supervision.

What They Do: The International Rescue Committee offers lifesaving care and assistance to refugees forced to flee from war or disaster. At work today in more than 40 countries and in 22 U.S. cities, the IRC helps to restore safety, dignity and hope to millions who are uprooted and struggling to endure.

How You Can Help: Become a "Friend of the Family Mentor" and help a newly arrived refugee family adapt to their new home and culture. Your family can warmly welcome a family into the community by serving as a friend, guide and advocate. Activities may include home visits, going on outings, playing board games, assisting kids with homework and helping with everyday tasks.

Details: This volunteer position involves an average of two to four hours per week, with flexible days and times. A minimum six-month commitment is required. The refugee families reside primarily in South King County.

Little Bit Therapeutic Riding Center

19802 N.E. 148th St., Woodinville WA 98077
(New address as of April 8, 2013: 18675 N.E. 106th St., Redmond WA 98052)
425-882-1554
www.littlebit.org; jeffrey@littlebit.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 14 and older, age requirement varies for different opportunities.

What They Do: Little Bit's mission is to improve the bodies, minds and spirits of children and adults with disabilities through equine-assisted therapy, and to be an educational resource for the therapeutic riding profession, both regionally and nationally.

How You Can Help: Program volunteers assist riders by grooming and tacking horses before class, supporting riders while in class, leading horses and putting them away after class. Younger kids can help clean saddles, weed or help with events. Check the website for current volunteer opportunities.

Details: Program volunteers must be at least 14 years old and attend volunteer training. Program volunteers commit to at least one regular two-hour shift for the length of a 14-week session.

Mary Bridge Children's Foundation

PO Box 5296, Tacoma WA 98415
253-403-1599

www.multicare.org/foundations/mary-bridge;
mallory.beckingham@multicare.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages.

What They Do: The Foundation raises funds and community awareness for Mary Bridge Children's Hospital & Health Center (the designated Level II pediatric trauma center for the children of Western Washington), and to assist the hospital in achieving its mission of providing care for all children, regardless of a family's ability to pay.

How You Can Help: Families may make in-kind gifts of toys for the children at Mary Bridge Children's Hospital.

Details: Toys should be new, unwrapped and must not have a violent orientation. For a list of recommended toys, check out the online Mary Bridge toy wish list. Donations are accepted at the front desk of the hospital (317 Martin Luther King Jr. Way in Tacoma).

Mockingbird Society

2100 24th Ave. S., Suite 240, Seattle WA 98144

206-323-5437

www.mockingbirdociety.org;
information@mockingbirdociety.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with parent supervision.

What They Do: Mockingbird Society is dedicated to building a world-class foster care system in Washington that ensures the care, support and resources necessary for children, youth and families to thrive. Staff and volunteers advocate for a reform of the foster care system based on the personal experiences of children, youth and families. The staff includes young people with backgrounds in foster care or homelessness who comprise the Mockingbird Youth Network and provide the content for their award-winning newspaper the Mockingbird Times.

How You Can Help: Get tips on the Mockingbird Society website for talking with your legislator about the issues. As well, young people can sign up to be part of the annual Youth Advocacy Day and meet elected leaders in Olympia (this year's event is on Feb. 22). Contact Brooklyn@mockingbirdociety.org to learn more.

Nature Consortium

4408 Delridge Way S.W., Suite 107, Seattle WA 98106 (office)

206-923-0853

www.naturec.org; volunteer@naturec.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with adult supervision.

What They Do: The Nature Consortium fosters vibrant communities and inspires people in the Puget Sound area through art and environmental action. They provide year-round youth art classes, urban forest restoration and the annual Arts in Nature Festival.

How You Can Help: Volunteer work parties happen several times per week to restore habitat in the West Duwamish Greenbelt, located in West Seattle. Volunteers plant native plants and trees during the fall and winter and remove invasive species and mulch year round. Saturday events include live music.

Details: Volunteers of all ages are welcome, but a youth waiver must be signed and those younger than 13 must be chaperoned. Each event, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., is supervised by a trained staff or volunteer lead. Tools and gloves are provided.

Northwest Harvest

PO Box 12272, Seattle WA 98102 (office)
800-722-6924

www.northwestharvest.org;
volunteer@northwestharvest.org

Kids Can Help: Kids in grades 3 and higher.

What They Do: Northwest Harvest is the only nonprofit food bank distributor operating statewide in Washington with a network of more than 350 food banks, meal programs and high-need schools. The organization provides more than 1.7 million meals every month to this network.

How You Can Help: Volunteers help by sorting and packaging food at the Kent warehouse or by serving clients at the Cherry Street Food Bank in Seattle.

Details: Youth 15 and younger must bring an adult to volunteer with them.

Outdoors for All

6344 N.E. 74th St., Seattle WA 98115 (office)
206-838-6030

www.outdoorsforall.org;
volunteer@outdoorsforall.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 13 and older.

What They Do: The Outdoors for All Foundation provides year-round instruction in outdoor recreation for people with physical, developmental and sensory disabilities. Outdoors for All's year round programming includes snowboarding, snowshoeing, cross country and downhill skiing, cycling, hiking, river rafting, canoeing and kayaking, day camps, water skiing, rock-climbing, camping and more.

How You Can Help: Volunteer cadets serve as assistants to a primary instructor, helping children and adults with disabilities with outdoor recreation activities. Volunteer junior camp counselors help out at day camps, which provide an active environment for children with and without disabilities.

Details: The cadet and junior camp counselor volunteer opportunities are for youth ages 13 to 15; other volunteer activities require youth ages 16 or older. Volunteer orientations typically take place the third Wednesday of each month.

PCC Natural Markets Food Bank Program

Various locations in the Greater Seattle area
206-547-1222

www.pccnaturalmarkets.com/community;
communityrelations@pccsea.com

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with adult supervision.

What They Do: PCC Natural Markets supports dozens of neighborhood events and celebrations through sponsorships and food donations. The PCC Food Bank Program is one of PCC's community outreach efforts – bulk food is purchased at wholesale prices and donated to 10 local food banks.

How You Can Help: Volunteers help package the bulk food into family-sized portions at work parties, so that the food can be distributed to partner food banks. These work parties occur throughout the year at food banks located in Edmonds, Issaquah, Kirkland, Redmond and Seattle.

Details: No special skills are necessary. Young volunteers can earn school community service hours. Registration is not required; simply show up at the food bank at the scheduled time (times and locations are available online). Large groups should contact PCC for more information.

Page Ahead

1130 N.W. 85th St., Seattle WA 98117 (office)
206-461-0123

www.pageahead.org; info@pageahead.org

Kids Can Help: Age requirement varies for different opportunities.

What They Do: Page Ahead is the leading provider of children's literacy services in Washington, serving more than 55,000 children in need every year. The nonprofit offers new books for children, literacy support for families and reading resources in schools throughout King, Pierce and Snohomish Counties.

How You Can Help: Teens can apply to become story time volunteers, who read to preschool and kindergarten classes, sing songs and create simple crafts with kids during the school day. Youth can also sort books or help with administrative work at the office, or organize a drive for new children's books (helpful book drive resources can be found on Page Ahead's website).

Details: Story time volunteers must commit to a full school year (applications are due in the summer). Current volunteer opportunities can be found on Page Ahead's website.

Rescue Mission

425 S. Tacoma Way, Tacoma WA 98402 (office)

253-383-4493

www.rescue-mission.org; volunteer@rescue-mission.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 7 and older.

What They Do: The Rescue Mission works with people at all stages of addiction, homelessness or other life challenges, offering services, support and facilities for people in Pierce County. The Rescue Mission operates two facilities that provide meals to those in need – the family shelter, Adams Campus, and the men's shelter, Good Neighbor Café.

How You Can Help: Volunteers can work in

both of the kitchens, helping to clean, prepare and serve meals to the clients.

Details: Visit the Rescue Mission website to register and to pick specific volunteer events to attend.

The Ruby Room

1634 11th Ave., Seattle WA 98122
206-439-7575

www.rubyyroomseattle.org;
info@rubyyroomseattle.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with adult supervision.

What They Do: The Ruby Room provides formal attire to teens in financial need. The organization also provides leadership and education through volunteer opportunities and workshops. The Ruby Room is run entirely by volunteers and just celebrated its 10-year anniversary.

How You Can Help: The Ruby Room accepts formal dresses, shoes, jewelry, wraps and purses that are no older than four years old and in good condition. Volunteer opportunities, often as personal shoppers, vary depending on the number of high school students signed up for assistance.

Details: Children 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. To donate gowns and accessories, visit the Ruby Room website to learn about upcoming dress drives.

Solid Ground

1501 N. 45th St., Seattle WA 98103 (office)
206-694-6700

www.solid-ground.org;
suem@solid-ground.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with adult supervision.

What They Do: Solid Ground works to end poverty. Based in Seattle's Wallingford neighborhood, the organization's 30 programs and services, which provide shelter, food, transportation and other basic services, help nearly 60,000 families in King County overcome poverty and build better futures each year. **How You Can Help:** Solid Ground's Lettuce Link program coordinates a giving garden at Marra Farm in Seattle's South Park neighborhood. Volunteers are needed to help with gardening projects that generate more than 17,000 pounds of produce each year for local food banks.

Details: Volunteer shifts are from two to four hours in duration. They occur on Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from March through November.

Team Read

PO Box 94042, Seattle WA 98124 (office)
206-252-0069

www.teamread.org;
mrmassy@seattleschools.org

Kids Can Help: Kids in grades 8 and higher.

What They Do: Team Read helps Seattle's public elementary school students achieve reading success. Pairing youth tutors with second and third grade students who are read-

ing below grade level in 12 elementary schools across the city, Team Read helps the students' reading, comprehension and vocabulary.

How You Can Help: Volunteer coaches tutor their students after school to not only improve their students' reading skills but also serve as meaningful role models. High school coaches can satisfy community service hours, earn hourly pay or deferred college tuition. All eighth grade coaches are volunteers. Younger children can host a book drive for Team Read. **Details:** Coaches must have a minimum 2.7 GPA, good attendance and behavior record, complete an essay and have three signed references. Applications are accepted twice a year, in September and December. Tutoring sessions begin between 3 and 3:30 p.m. and end between 4:30 and 4:45 p.m. on either Mondays/Wednesdays or Tuesdays/Thursdays.

Teen Feed

4740 B University Way N.E., Seattle WA 98105 (office)

206-522-4366

www.teenfeed.org; volunteer@teenfeed.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 10 and older, age requirement varies for different opportunities.

What They Do: Teen Feed works with the community to offer hot nutritious meals, basic needs items and support to homeless youth and young adults. Teen Feed's Meal Program is held from 7 to 8 p.m. every day in Seattle's University District and on Fridays in Auburn.

How You Can Help: Youth can serve on the volunteer meal teams, which provide food, prepare and serve the meals and clean the kitchen. "All volunteers" assist with organization, set-up and break-down of the basic needs closet, guest registration, and meal preparation and clean-up.

Details: Meal team volunteers must be 10 and older. Ally volunteers are youth ages 18 and younger. Volunteer orientation is required for service. To learn more, visit the Teen Feed website or call 206-229-0813.

Urban Artworks

815 Seattle Blvd. S., Suite B7, Seattle WA 98134

206-292-4142
info@urbanartworks.org;
info@urbanartworks.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with parent supervision.

What They Do: Urban Artworks empowers and restores youth and communities through public art. Staff members believe engaging marginalized youth in creating murals enhances positive life skills, increases community attachment and beautifies neighborhoods. The program employs, educates and empowers at-risk youth ages 14 to 18, fostering an environment of positive recognition, support and teamwork. Most of their referrals come from King County Juvenile Court, where youth have multiple barriers to success as well as criminal histories.

How You Can Help: Families can get involved by collecting art supplies (paints, brushes

and rollers), plywood in good condition, step stools and ladders, paper towels, masking tape, butcher paper and computer paper, healthy snacks and other items. As well, Urban Artworks is always looking for fun, energetic and creative people to help with events or to volunteer in the office.

Details: Visit the Urban Artworks website to learn more about donations and volunteering.

Volunteers of America

2802 Broadway Ave., Everett WA 98201 (office)

425-259-3191

www.voawww.org; volunteers@voawww.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with adult supervision.

What They Do: A leader in human services, Volunteers of America has remained at the forefront of serving our community's most vulnerable populations by providing basic needs. Volunteers of America food banks in Everett, Greenwood/North Seattle, Mill Creek and Sultan distribute emergency food to families, children, seniors and individuals with disabilities.

How You Can Help: Volunteer as a family at the food bank Community Volunteer Nights. Volunteers sort food donations and repackage bulk food into individual client sizes. Other special events and projects needing volunteers can be found online.

Details: The Everett Food Bank Community Nights happen on the last Thursday of each month. The Greenwood Food Bank Community Nights happen the second Friday of each month. Service is limited, so register online ahead of time.

Washington Toxics Coalition

4649 Sunnyside Ave. N., Suite 540, Seattle WA 98013

206-632-1545

www.watoxics.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with parent supervision.

What They Do: Washington Toxics Coalition works to keep toxic chemicals out of homes, schools and workplaces. Children's health and safety is a major area of emphasis. Recent successful efforts include establishing strong requirements regarding disclosure of harmful chemicals in products including pacifiers, toys and cribs, helping persuade the legislature to ban the hormone-disrupting chemical BPA from children's food and beverage containers, and advancing legislation to phase out heavy metals and some toxic flame retardants. This year's priority is passage of the Toxic-Free Kids and Families Act to ban another cancer-causing flame retardant.

How You Can Help: Families can help by joining the coalition and by writing letters to the editor or blog posts in favor of the Toxic-Free Kids and Families Act, going to the state capital with members of the coalition, volunteering at Wednesday phone banks, lending a hand around the office or helping at events. Learn more on the "Take Action" section of the website.

Washington Trails Association

705 Second Ave., Seattle WA 98104 (office)
206-625-1367
www.wta.org; trail_teams@wta.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 10 and older.

What They Do: The Washington Trails Association works to protect hiking trails and wild lands, takes volunteers out to maintain trails and promotes hiking as a healthy, fun way to explore the outdoors.

How You Can Help: Youth volunteers can participate in one-day work parties throughout the Puget Sound area. Youth-specific work parties provide a unique opportunity for young people to learn about trail maintenance while meeting other people. High school students can spend a week on the trail during a "Youth Vacation," when they learn about building and maintaining hiking trails in a teamwork-oriented environment.

Details: Kids younger than 14 must be accompanied by an adult. After five work parties, volunteers earn their very own green hard hat with their name on it. Teens can earn up to eight community service hours each day. Youth Vacations are for students ages 14 to 18.

Wellspring Family Services

1900 Rainier Ave. S., Seattle WA 98144 (office)
206-826-3050
www.family-services.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with parent supervision.

What They Do: Wellspring Family Services builds emotionally healthy, self-sufficient families and a non-violent community in which they can thrive. By addressing the overlapping issues of mental health challenges, domestic violence and homelessness, staff members get at the source of instability for families. Last year they served more than 9,000 children, adults and families in King County.

How You Can Help: An easy way for children to get involved is the Kids Helping Kids Campaign. Children can start a penny drive, host a lemonade stand or bake sale, celebrate their birthdays with a benefit party for homeless

kids or dream up their own way to collect donations. Learn more on the "Events & Campaigns" section of the website.

Wellspring Family Services' Baby Boutique

1900 Rainier Ave. S., Seattle WA 98144
206-902-4270
www.wellspringfs.org;
cdixon@wellspringfs.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with adult supervision.

What They Do: Baby Boutique at Wellspring Family Services provides free children's items such as clothing, shoes, diapers, toys and equipment to families in King County who are homeless. Every year, free supplies are provided to more than 3,000 children.

How You Can Help: Volunteers help sort, clean and hang donations, stock and manage the store and provide support to donors by helping unload donations. Donations of new and used baby, kid and teen clothing, shoes, equipment, toys and books can also be made.

Details: Children younger than 14 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Volunteers are asked to make a commitment of at least six months. Volunteer shifts are two hours in duration. Donations are accepted during regular business hours.

World Vision's KidREACH

PO Box 9716, Federal Way WA 98063 (office)
www.worldvisionusprograms.org;
bboyd@worldvision.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 16 and older.

What They Do: KidREACH is a program of the Christian humanitarian organization World Vision, based in Federal Way. The program offers a free after-school program for children and youth who are struggling academically and/or socially with one-on-one mentoring and tutoring at more than 25 sites throughout the greater Puget Sound area.

How You Can Help: Volunteers work two hours a week with struggling students. During a typical tutoring session, the duo will enjoy a snack, read, work on homework together and

play an educational game that increases basic math and reading skills. Younger children can host a school supply drive.

Details: Volunteers must submit an application and pass a background check. For information on how to host a drive for World Vision, visit www.worldvision.org/bringit.

YMCA of Greater Seattle

909 Fourth Ave., Seattle WA 98104 (office)
206-382-5000
www.seattleymca.org

Kids Can Help: Children of all ages, with adult supervision.

What They Do: The YMCA of Greater Seattle strengthens communities through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. Founded in 1876, the Y reaches more than 200,000 people of all backgrounds, abilities and financial circumstances annually through 13 branches, two overnight camps and more than 200 program sites throughout King and south Snohomish counties.

How You Can Help: Families and youth volunteers help with a variety of activities and special events. For example, Healthy Kids Day is an annual community event each spring that is free to the public and requires lots of volunteers. Special projects with parents and kids might include making thank you cards for donors, helping staff with various daily tasks at the branch and more.

Details: The Y accepts volunteers of all ages, although kids 14 and younger must have an adult with them. Volunteers do not have to be YMCA members. Contact your local Y's "Volunteer Champion" to talk about your interests and availability.

YouthCare

2500 N.E. 54th St., Seattle WA 98105 (office)
206-267-3076
www.youthcare.org; volunteer@youthcare.org

Kids Can Help: Ages 16 and older.

What They Do: For nearly 40 years, YouthCare has been a leader in providing services to Seattle's homeless youth, including outreach, basic services, emergency shelter, housing, counseling, education and employment training. YouthCare has six sites serving the greater Seattle area.

How You Can Help: Volunteer opportunities include serving a meal at the James W. Ray Orion Center in Seattle, or helping with deep cleaning or yard work at one of the YouthCare sites. Families can also host a critical supplies drive (current needs listed online) or make an individual donation of warm clothing and supplies.

Details: A typical volunteer commitment is at least six months. Donations are accepted at YouthCare's office during regular business hours.





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Cougar Mountain Academy

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Founded in 1962, Cougar Mountain Academy is a co-educational elementary school for gifted or highly capable children in grades pre-K to 5. It is dedicated to providing an excellent education for each individual student. A differentiated, individualized, non-graded and non-competitive approach to learning combined with a high-caliber, research-based curriculum enables each student to develop optimum potential and a deep love of learning. The academy is internationally accredited, teaches French to K-5 students, utilizes a multi-teacher approach and maintains a low student-to-teacher ratio. The academy's individual and overall National Standard Test scores have consistently been exceptional, averaging in the 96.5 percentile and ranking in the top 4% on a national level.

DigiPen Institute of Technology

9931 Willows Road N.E., Redmond

425-629-5007,

projectfunadministration@digipen.edu

<https://projectfun.digipen.edu>

DigiPen's ProjectFUN Summer Workshops introduce students in elementary, middle and high school to a variety of fun and engaging game development, multimedia and technology topics while reinforcing their knowledge of core academic subjects like math, physics, art and writing. These technology camps meet at DigiPen's Redmond campus as well as various other locations around the world. ProjectFUN Summer Workshops are the perfect way for students to explore high-tech careers, express their creativity and make new friends in an exciting, challenging and fun environment.

Early Achievers Childcare Rating System

Department of Early Learning/P.O. Box 40970,

Olympia

866-482-4325, qris@del.wa.gov

www.del.wa.gov/care/qris

Early Achievers, Washington's quality rating and improvement system, helps ensure children receive quality care and education to prepare them for school and life. It is free to families and providers. Early Achievers rates the quality of childcare programs from level 1 to 5. At level 1, childcare providers meet Washington's licensing requirements for health and safety. Programs with higher ratings have strong instruction, training for staff and family engagement to support children's success. Childcare providers demonstrate a commitment to quality simply by participating in Early Achievers. Participating providers receive free training, technical assistance and scholarships. Early Achievers helps parents and families evaluate how programs and providers are preparing children to succeed. Ask your provider about Early Achievers.

French American School of Puget Sound

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Hamlin Robinson School

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206-763-1167, info@hamlinrobinson.org

www.hamlinrobinson.org

Finding the right school for every child is critical. When a child struggles with dyslexia or similar language learning issues, Hamlin Robinson School is the best choice. It understands the intellectual, social and emotional needs of its students. Its specialized program gives children the opportunity to experience academic success, build self-confidence and enjoy coming to school each day. HRS teachers are highly skilled and utilize innovative, effective strategies specifically aimed to help children with language learning challenges. A visit to its convenient location will highlight children who are discovering the excitement and joy of learning. Hamlin Robinson School is dedicated to meeting the educational, social and emotional needs specific to students with dyslexia and related language difficulties.

La Petite Famille

1712 N.E. 97th St., Seattle
206-523-2030, mjsimond@comcast.net
http://mjsimond.home.comcast.net
La Petite Famille is a bilingual preschool for children ages 2 to 6 which focuses on French, music and movement, and academics, particularly reading, writing and mathematics. There is a lot of one-on-one teaching which guarantees that children graduate from the program reading and writing at kindergarten or first grade level. La Petite Famille has an exceptional array of toys and materials with lots of art projects and free play time including a great outside area. Marie-Joelle Simond has over 30 years of teaching experience in France and the U.S.

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Registration is open for the 2013-2014 school year. A parent information meeting will be held Sunday, March 10, at 3 p.m.

Mercer Education

1240 116th Ave. N.E., Suite 200, Bellevue
ebc@mercereducation.com
www.mercereducation.com

Mercer Education is a premier school providing tutoring and educational enrichment programs in language, math and science. It also offers college counseling and admissions prep. Founded in 1999 by Eric Cohen, a graduate of Harvard University, ME offers highly qualified teachers whose rigorous teaching methods and high standards have proven effective in helping students attain their academic goals. Mercer Education provides effective, comprehensive courses ranging from math, science, ESL and test preparation to writing and enrichment literature for students and adults. Whether students desire to prepare

for standardized tests such as the SAT, ACT, GRE, ISEE, MSP or HSPE, to improve fluency, or simply get help with homework, ME's programs enable students to significantly boost confidence and performance in pursuit of higher academic achievement.

Montessori School of Seattle

720 18th Ave. E., Seattle
206-325-0497,
info@montessorischoolofseattle.com
www.montessorischoolofseattle.com
Montessori School of Seattle's goal is to nurture children ages 2½ to 6 and encourage their love of learning. It is committed to excellence with a beautiful environment and dedicated teachers that are sensitive to the needs of each child. It believes that the most valid impulse to learning is self motivation. Children are successful when they can work independently with self confidence and courtesy to others. MSS includes the full curriculum of practical life, sensorial, language, math, history, geography, music, dance and art. Students also enjoy cooking projects, field trips and the use of an outdoor playground within St. Joseph School on Capitol Hill where it has been located since 1979.

Morningside Academy

201 Westlake Ave. N., Seattle
206-709-9500, info@morningsideacademy.org
www.morningsideacademy.org
Morningside Academy's nationally acclaimed and highly successful Foundations Program and Middle School Program allow students to catch up, build up and get ahead. Small group instruction is tailored to each student's needs and existing academic levels. Morningside's research-based curriculum and highly trained teachers have provided exceptional gains for their students for more than 32 years. Students develop motivation and pride in their accomplishments, building self-esteem. The teachers know that all students will be successful given the proper curriculum placement and instructional material with lots of opportunities to practice newly learned skills and strategies. Morningside offers full-year and summer programs for students in grades 1 to 9.

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New Horizon School

1111 S. Carr Road, Renton
425-226-3717, j baker@new-horizon-school.org
www.new-horizon-school.org
New Horizon School makes education accessible to students with learning disabilities, attention deficits and other learning differences. Located in Renton, NHS serves grades 6 to 12, meeting the needs of its students by fostering an environment of acceptance, opportunity and achievement.

The Northwest School

1415 Summit Ave., Seattle
206-682-7309, admissions@northwestschool.org
www.northwestschool.org
The Northwest School offers a unique, exciting and in-depth approach to education. Its vibrant, urban campus is located in the heart of Seattle's Capitol Hill. As a premier college preparatory school, it challenges students with an innovative and vigorous program of studies for grades 6 to 12, including an integrated humanities program, a rich arts curriculum and cross-disciplinary engagement in science, math, modern languages, arts and physical education. The Northwest School offers the only international boarding program in Seattle with 16% of its students coming from other countries. It encourages students to develop global perspective, intellectual and personal independence, compassion and responsibility. One hundred percent of its graduates who apply are accepted into colleges and universities in the United States and around the world.

Open Window School

6128 168th Place S.E., Bellevue
425-747-2911, admissions@ows.org
www.ows.org
Open Window School understands and appreciates gifted children in grades K to 8 as unique, complex human beings who love to learn. OWS students benefit from its balanced program. It offers a rigorous, highly differentiated curriculum delivered by experienced and nurturing teachers. Academic acceleration and challenge are balanced with an emphasis on social emotional learning. Parents are valued partners at OWS and join a vibrant community of educators, students and parents. Innovation, problem solving, collaboration and independent thinking are emphasized. Enrichment classes in grades K to 4 include drama, art, movement, PE, music, computers, Spanish and library. Students in grades 5 to 8 enjoy Spanish, PE, art, drama, information literacy and applied technology classes while partnering with area professionals to provide authentic field experiences. The stunning views from the campus reflect the sweeping vision of Open Window School.

Preschool at the Harbor (P.A.T.H.)

Harbor Church, 9204 11th Ave. N.W., Seattle
206-414-5022, walkonthepath@gmail.com
www.pathpreschool.com

Preschool at the Harbor (P.A.T.H.) is a shining light for families seeking a warm, welcoming and fun learning environment for children ages 3 to 5. P.A.T.H. seeks to love their neighbors – families and children from all backgrounds – by providing developmentally appropriate opportunities to nurture each child's sense of accomplishment and personal growth. It provides an environment which allows each child to learn through interactive play, utilizing music, art, science, language, pre-reading, math, pre-writing and dramatic play. It believes that young children learn best

by doing and by finding activities that they plan, carry out and reflect upon. Learning at P.A.T.H. is not simply repeating what someone else says; it requires active thinking and experimenting to learn firsthand about the world we live in.

Samena Club

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www.samena.com

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Sammamish Montessori

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www.sammamishmontessori.com
Founded in 1977 and conveniently located in Redmond, this family owned and managed school provides a vibrant multicultural community. It prepares preschool, kindergarten and elementary students with strong academic and social skills and a love of learning. Its Montessori-certified teachers have years of classroom experience and are able to challenge and nurture their students to create happy, hardworking and supportive classroom communities. They take pride in their organized, child-centered classrooms and multiple well-equipped and spacious outdoor play areas. Parents are encouraged but not required to volunteer and they do not fundraise for their own benefit. Sammamish Montessori believes that school should be a positive experience that children look forward to with enthusiasm. It works every day to fulfill the needs of each individual child and family.

Sasha's Preschool

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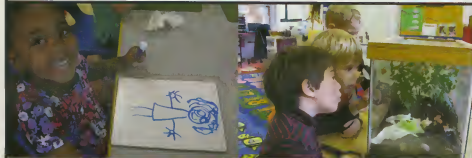
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St. Joseph School

700 18th Ave. E., Seattle
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St. Joseph School is an all-city Catholic grade school founded in 1907 on the traditions of the Jesuits and the Holy Names Sisters. Located on Capitol Hill in Seattle, the school is dedicated to the education and develop-

ment of young people of all backgrounds. Its mission is to create a faith-centered community that educates and inspires students to reach their God-given potential. It offers a contiguous K-8 school experience, a rigorous academic program designed to develop critical thinking skills, differentiated instruction and a supportive environment.

St. Thomas School

8300 N.E. 12th St., Medina
425-454-5880, info@stthomasschool.org
www.stthomasschool.org
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www.sjcc.org
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University Prep

8000 25th Ave. N.E., Seattle
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University Prep is committed to developing each student's potential to become an intellectually courageous, socially responsible citizen of the world.
An independent school in North Seattle serving grades 6 to 12, University Prep's curriculum is designed to create an intellectually challenging and developmentally appropriate

program of study for all students. It believes that by establishing a balance between critical and creative thinking, students will gain the skills and knowledge necessary to succeed in an increasingly complex and global society. It works with students to ensure they see challenges as opportunities to stretch beyond their comfort zones and embrace learning as a process of discovery.

UW Robinson Center

Guthrie Annex 2, University of Washington, Seattle
206-543-4160, csccy@uw.edu
<http://depts.washington.edu/csccy/>
Through its two early entrance programs, Transition School and UW Academy, the Robinson Center prepares younger students for college and provides them with challenging, accelerated learning opportunities in a vibrant, intellectual community at the University of Washington. It also provides outreach through its Saturday Enrichment and Summer Programs that offer classes for highly capable Puget Sound students. The Robinson Center is a site for research and discovery of best practice in supporting highly capable young students, and maintains the UW's position as an internationally renowned center of gifted education.

Villa Academy

5001 N.E. 50th St., Seattle
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www.thevilla.org
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Burke Museum of Natural History and Culture

University of Washington, 17th Avenue N.E. and N.E. 45th Street, Seattle
206-543-5590, theburke@uw.edu
www.burkemuseum.org

Future paleontologists and kids fascinated with artifacts can explore the cultures of the Pacific Rim and the wonders of nature and science at the Burke Museum. It offers a variety of special exhibits, events, summer camps and education programs for visitors of all ages. Visitors can see the only real dinosaur fossils in the state or explore the traditions and art of Northwest Coast Native peoples. Weekend themes change monthly with objects to touch, crafts to make and guided tours of the exhibits. From mammals to toys and games from around the world, there's always something fun and new to do at the Burke.

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Cascade Bicycle Club Education Foundation

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www.cbccf.org

Cascade Bicycle Club, with its mission of creating a better community through bicycling, is a non-profit organization in the Puget Sound area with more than 14,000 members. Cascade

provides bicycle safety and maintenance education to kids and adults; works with elected officials, agency representatives and business leaders to promote bicycle-friendly legislation, plans and policies; and, through bicycling events and rides, encourages new and experienced riders to ride bikes for fun, fitness and transportation. Cascade offers summer camps for kids ages 6 to 14 (both mountain and road biking), Learn-2-Ride classes for all ages, family biking classes, classes for teens and adults, bike-to-work and bike-to-school days, guided rides every day of the year, and special events such as Seattle Bike Expo, Cyclefest and the Group Health Seattle-to-Portland Classic.

Chess4Life

12729 Northrup Way, Suite 15, Bellevue
425-283-0549, kids@chess4life.com
www.chess4life.com

Chess4Life was founded by National Master Elliott Neff. Through his 20 years of coaching chess, Elliott recognized the lessons that the study of chess provides. These are lessons that must be learned if one is to become successful in life, such as perseverance through adversity and the priceless experience of achievement after putting in consistent effort. By encouraging students in a positive manner, Chess4Life teaches sportsmanship, good decision making, patience, planning and learning from one's mistakes. Chess has also been shown to improve critical thinking skills, math competency, English skills, concentration and spatial reasoning. Elliott's love for children and for chess can be summed up by his slogan, "Teaching Life Skills through Chess." Chess4Life has locations in Bellevue, Issaquah and Redmond.

Children's Museum of Skagit County

550 Cascade Mall Drive, Burlington
360-757-8888, cate@skagitcm.org
www.skagitchildrensmuseum.net

The Children's Museum of Skagit County offers amazing, real exhibits such as a semi-truck cab, 21-foot tug boat, theatre with costumes, art studio, toddler farmyard, dental office, 10-foot working crane, river exhibit with fishing, farmer's market, science zone, music studio and more. Rotating, sponsored exhibits offer exciting new themes each month.

Through educational exhibits and events, the museum provides a hands-on learning and exploration experience for children from birth to ages 10 or 12. A variety of party packages are available including Basic, Fills and Themed along with evening rentals. Information about admissions, memberships, field trips, camps, classes and studio experiences, including yoga, can be found online.

Its hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily except Sundays which are 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Toddler Tuesdays are 8:30 to 10 a.m.

Cornish College of the Arts – Summer at Cornish 2013

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www.cornish.edu/summer

Cornish College of the Arts is the Northwest's premier visual and performing arts college. Summer at Cornish offers a variety of courses and workshops in art and design, music, theater and dance for high school students, adults and children. Summer at Cornish places kids in classes with professional artists to hone their creative skills, gain a depth of knowledge about a particular discipline, and for high school students, earn college credit and experience college life. Courses vary in price from \$165 to \$2000. Housing and scholarships are available for students ages 15 to 18. Register by Friday, May 3, 2013 to receive 10% off course tuition.

Cougar Mountain Academy

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www.cougarmountainacademy.org
NWAC accredited. AdvancED accredited. Founded in 1962, Cougar Mountain Academy is a co-educational elementary school for gifted or highly capable children in grades pre-K to 5. It is dedicated to providing an excellent education for each individual student. A differentiated, individualized, non-graded and non-competitive approach to learning combined with a high-caliber, research-based curriculum enables each student to develop optimum potential and a deep love of learning. The academy is internationally accredited, teaches French to K-5 students, utilizes a multi-teacher approach and maintains a low student-to-teacher ratio. The academy's individual and overall National Standard Test scores have consistently been exceptional, averaging in the 96.5 percentile and ranking in the top 4% on a national level.

Dee's Music Room

Country Village, 23716 Eighth Ave. S.E., Bothell
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DigiPen Institute of Technology

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Jamtown Music

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Kamp Kookamunga at Lynnwood Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts

Lynnwood Park, 18927 72nd Ave. W., Lynnwood
425-670-5732
www.ci.lynnwood.wa.us/camps
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Kids Discovery Museum

301 Ravine Lane N.E., Bainbridge Island
206-855-4650, learnmore@kidimu.org
www.kidimu.org
KiDiMu welcomes every child and family to explore and learn through interactive play. Imagine, Discover, Grow! Kids Discovery Museum (KiDiMu) is an award-winning children's museum on beautiful Bainbridge Island. The museum provides a stimulating environment for children and their caregivers to explore art, science and culture through hands-on exhibits, art projects and programming recommended for ages birth to 10. The museum is also a birthday party and field trip destination. KiDiMu is located in downtown Bainbridge Island, within walking distance from the Seattle to Bainbridge Island ferry terminal and with easy access from the Kitsap Peninsula via SR-305.

Kirkland Arts Center

620 Market St., Kirkland
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North Seattle Chailights

12351 Eighth Ave. N.E., Seattle
206-384-6020, niva@chailights.org
North Seattle Chailights offers cultural identity-building and open-door events for children, parents and families living in Seattle's core neighborhoods and north suburbs. Its programs are designed to provide families of all backgrounds and religious affiliations with welcoming, accessible and meaningful opportunities to explore their Jewish identities and expand their social networks. PJ Library Seattle, Havdallah and Family Movie Nights, Mindful Parenting lectures, and a summer camp in partnership with the Stroum Jewish Community Center are only a few of the many exciting things North Seattle Chailights has to offer families.

Northwest Boychoir

5031 University Way N.E., #N82, Seattle
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www.nwcchoirs.org
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www.pdza.org
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Roaring Mouse Creative Arts Studio

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www.roaringmouse.org
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Schack Art Center

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Woodland Park Zoo

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Yanvalou Drum School

4707 Aurora Ave. N., Seattle
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www.yanvaloudrumschool.com
Providing interactive drumming and movement classes for youth, Yanvalou is a local drum and dance school offering high quality education and enrichment programs for the entire community. It offers many programs including BABY JAM, a multi-lingual parent and child percussion and movement class for ages birth to 5. It also offers exciting after-school programs for kids in grades K to 12, teen drum and dance camps, and weekend clinics. There is something for everyone at Yanvalou Drum School.

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Cascade Bicycle Club Education Foundation

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206-522-3222,
jenny.almgren@cascadebicycleclub.org
www.cbcef.org

Cascade Bicycle Club, with its mission of creating a better community through bicycling, is a non-profit organization in the Puget Sound area with more than 14,000 members. Cascade provides bicycle safety and maintenance education to kids and adults; works with elected officials, agency representatives and business leaders to promote bicycle-friendly legislation, plans and policies; and, through bicycling events and rides, encourages new and experienced riders to ride bikes for fun, fitness and transportation. Cascade offers summer camps for kids ages 6 to 14 (both mountain and road biking), Learn-2-Ride classes for all ages, family biking classes, classes for teens and adults, bike-to-work and bike-to-school days, guided rides every day of the year, and special events such as Seattle Bike Expo, Cyclefest and the Group Health Seattle-to-Portland Classic.

Children's Museum of Skagit County

550 Cascade Mall Drive, Burlington
360-757-8888, cate@skagitcm.org
www.skagitchildrensmuseum.net

The Children's Museum of Skagit County offers amazing, real exhibits such as a semi-truck cab, 21-foot tug boat, theatre with costumes, art studio, toddler farmyard, dental office, 10-foot working crane, river exhibit with fishing, farmer's market, science zone, music studio and more. Rotating sponsored exhibits offer exciting new themes each month.

Through educational exhibits and events, the museum provides a hands-on learning and exploration experience for children from birth to ages 10 or 12. A variety of party packages are available including Basic, Frills and Themed along with evening rentals. Information about admissions, memberships, field trips, camps, classes, and studio experiences, including yoga, can be found online.

Its hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily except Sundays which are 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Toddler Tuesdays are from 8:30 to 10 a.m.

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www.creativemomtoys.com
Located at The Landing in Renton, Creative Mom Toys is a specialty toy store focusing on high quality educational and developmental toys for ages 0 to 109 (endless, really). It provides engaging products that stimulate, educate and enrich the minds of children. Its selection includes hand-crafted wooden strategy puzzles, multi-award-winning learning games, toys and books; creative crafting kits and art supplies; and eco-friendly, chemical-free, wooden play toys. Whether gifts for a special someone, enrichment items for the kids at home, or items for a fabulous tea party, Creative Mom Toys offers a fun, unique and varied selection.

Eastside Recording Parties

753 Bear Ridge Drive N.W., Issaquah
425-281-1453,
eastiderecordingparties@gmail.com
<http://eastiderecordingparties.com>
Experience what it's like to be a rock star. Eastside Recording Parties gives kids the opportunity to record their favorite songs, have a rock star photo session, and party like a rock star, all in a professional recording studio. Its specialty is Rock Star Birthday Parties. Kids can record their favorite songs with the same equipment the pros use in a real, working studio with an award-winning professional music producer and recording engineer. Each recording party includes a professional photo shoot with cool lighting and props. A professional engineer and a photographer guide guests through the recording process and photo session. A party assistant and an area for refreshments and gifts are also provided.

Hands On Children's Museum

414 Jefferson St. N.E., Olympia
360-956-0818, hocm@hocm.org
www.hocm.org
The Hands On Children's Museum is the largest children's museum in the Pacific Northwest. Its mission is to stimulate curiosity, creativity and learning through fun, interactive exhibits and programs for children, families and school groups. Hands On believes that all children deserve respect and the opportunity to learn, and that families are important as children's first teachers and as their partners in learning. Its exhibits, preschool, camps, workshops and field trip programs are designed specifically to encourage interaction and inquiry, as well as participation from the entire family. Hands On partners with social service agencies, public schools, service clubs, public libraries and other community organizations to bring interactive education to the community.

Jamtown Music

12729 Lake City Way N.E., Seattle
206-632-9136, info@jamtown.com
www.jamtown.com
Jamtown Music offers:

- Toddler/parent music classes (ages 6 months to 4 years)
- Lessons for kids ages 6 to 12 featuring multicultural rhythm instruments
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- Free family programming on Saturdays (like the Instrument Petting Zoo)
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Friends and family can enjoy hands-on music at Jamtown Music. Everyone is part of the band and they can prove it. The focus is on rhythm and hand drums, but there is singing and movement, too, in many of its fun programs. Located in North Seattle, it is a one-stop celebration shop. More information is available on the website and at www.facebook.com/jamtownmusic.

Kids Discovery Museum

301 Ravine Lane N.E., Bainbridge Island
206-855-4650, learnmore@kidimu.org
www.kidimu.org
KiDiMu welcomes every child and family to explore and learn through interactive play. Imagine, Discover, Grow! Kids Discovery Museum (KiDiMu) is an award-winning children's museum on beautiful Bainbridge Island. The museum provides a stimulating environment for children and their caregivers to explore art, science and culture through hands-on exhibits, art projects and programming recommended for ages birth to 10. The museum is also a birthday party and field trip destination. KiDiMu is located in downtown Bainbridge Island, within walking distance from the Seattle to Bainbridge Island ferry terminal and with easy access from the Kitsap Peninsula via SR-305.

North Seattle Chailights

12351 Eighth Ave. N.E., Seattle
206-384-6020, niva@chailights.org
North Seattle Chailights offers cultural identity-building and open-door events for children, parents and families living in Seattle's core neighborhoods and north suburbs. Its programs are designed to provide families of all backgrounds and religious affiliations with welcoming, accessible and meaningful opportunities to explore their Jewish identities and expand their social networks. PJ Library Seattle, Havdallah and Family Movie Nights, Mindful Parenting lectures, and a summer camp in partnership with the Stroum Jewish Community Center are only a few of the many exciting things North Seattle Chailights has to offer families.

Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium

5400 N. Pearl St., Tacoma
253-591-5337, reserve@pdza.org
<http://pdza.org>
Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium is the only combined zoo and aquarium in the Pacific Northwest. Visitors can see seahorses and

sharks, peacocks and penguins, and wolves and walrus, all in one place. The 29-acre zoo is large enough to offer an awesome array of animals yet small enough to let visitors get a really great view of them. The keepers often roam the grounds, taking animals on strolls so people can see them up close. It's possible to run into a lynx while on the way to see the polar bears. More information is available on the website.

Shaver Marionettes

Throughout the greater Seattle area
425-458-6558, lacopine@comcast.net
www.shavermarionettes.com
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Sunshine Music Together

Locations in Queen Anne, West Seattle, Lynnwood, Redmond and Woodinville
206-281-1111,
info@sunshinemusictogether.com
www.sunshinemusictogether.com
Sunshine Music Together is the 2011 and 2012 Golden Teddy Award Winner and the 2009 Nickelodeon Parents' Pick Winner for Best Music Class in Seattle. Music Together is a researched-based, internationally recognized early childhood music development program for children ages birth to 5 and their parents or caregivers. The 45-minute classes include songs, rhythmic rhymes, movement and instrument play. Activities are presented as informal, non-performance-oriented musical experiences. Parents and caregivers can have 45 minutes of pure fun with their child every week. Free sample classes are available.

Traxx Racing

4329 Chennault Beach Road, Mukilteo
425-493-8729, info@traxxracing.com
www.traxxracing.com
Parties at Traxx Racing are unique and tons of fun. Traxx features indoor go-karting for all ages in a fun and safe environment. Kids ages 3 to 10 drive its specially-designed karts on the upstairs kid's track while kids ages 11 to 18 can race in the fast adult karts. Safety instruction, race equipment and a private party room are included with every party package. Package options include decorations, food and activities such as the Velcro wall, climbing wall, bouncy basketball house, color-your-own T-shirts and a tire changing game. Drop-ins are also welcome and availability can be checked by calling in advance.

Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience

719 S. King St., Seattle
206-623-5124, folks@wingluke.org
www.wingluke.org

Visitors enjoy family-friendly programs at this Smithsonian affiliate, including Family Fun Day crafts, an interactive kids' gallery and tours. Special festivities take place throughout the year.

Woodland Park Zoo

601 N. 59th St., Seattle
206-548-2500, zoinfo@zoo.org,
www.zoo.org

Visitors can discover the world of gorillas, elephants, lions, birds and more at a top award-winning zoo. Humboldt penguins "fly" underwater in a state-of-the-art exhibit. A jaguar is up-close and personal in the tropical rain forest. Zoomazium's nature play space invites kids to explore, climb and slide. Zoo summer camps and birthday parties in the historic carousel are one-of-a-kind. Public programs such as keeper talks and horticultural tours let families discover the natural wonders of wildlife and the zoo's myriad conservation efforts. Squealing Asian small-clawed otters are coming in May. Woodland Park Zoo is just minutes from downtown Seattle. Hours: May 1 to Sept. 30 - 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., Oct. 1 to April 30 - 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Xakary, Children's Magician

Throughout the greater Seattle area
425-260-7842, magic@xakary.com
www.xakary.com

Xakary the Magician creates amazing lifetime memories, guaranteed. His shows are filled with lots of laughter, magical entertainment and special picture moments. Plus, the birthday child gets to help make a LIVE rabbit magically appear. In addition to putting on a great show, Xakary makes the booking process hassle-free, and the day of the show worry-free. He'll show up early to set up, and to make the show even more special, Xakary will make the setting look like a theatre. He brings a sparkly curtain backdrop, plus other fun props that get the kids (and parents) excited before the show even starts. Xakary is the greater Seattle area's leading children's magician. Booking early will ensure that parents get the time and date they prefer.

Yanvalou Drum School

4707 Aurora Ave. N., Seattle
206-432-5700, yanvaloudrumschool@gmail.com
www.yanvaloudrumschool.com

Providing interactive drumming and movement classes for youth, Yanvalou is a local drum and dance school offering high quality education and enrichment programs for the entire community. It offers many programs including BABY JAM, a multi-lingual parent and child percussion and movement class for ages birth to 5. It also offers exciting after-school programs for kids in grades K to 12, teen drum and dance camps, and weekend clinics. There is something for everyone at Yanvalou Drum School.



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Vegetarians of Washington

Seattle Center Exhibition Hall (Vegfest)
Mount Baker Club, 2811 Mount Rainier Drive S., Seattle (monthly dinners)
206-706-2635, contact@vegofwa.org
www.vegofwa.org

Vegetarians of Washington encourages people to discover the advantages and pleasures of vegetarian food. It organizes Vegfest, the largest vegetarian food festival in the country, held at the Seattle Center Exhibition Hall in March each year. It's an event for the whole family where 700 different kinds of food can be sampled, doctors give talks on nutrition, chefs give cooking demonstrations, and clowns and kids activities entertain the kids. Admission is \$8, kids ages 12 and under are free.

In addition, Vegetarians of Washington hosts monthly dinners on the third Wednesday of the month at the Mount Baker Club. Everyone is welcome to enjoy a delicious gourmet dinner catered by a different restaurant or chef each time. Free classes are also available to all. Details and schedules are on the website.



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HEALTH

Bastyr Center for Natural Health

3670 Stone Way N., Seattle
206-834-4100

<http://bastyrcenter.org>

Bastyr Center, a leading authority in natural medicine as well as the teaching clinic for world-renowned Bastyr University, can serve as the natural health care provider for the entire family. Choose from naturopathic medicine, acupuncture and Oriental medicine, nutrition counseling, Chinese herbal medicine, short-term psychological counseling and more, most covered by health insurance providers.

Naturopathic medical care is an ideal way to educate parents and young children on the benefits of staying healthy through good nutrition, exercise and taking care of their bodies as they grow. Bastyr Center offers children both well-child care and medical care for acute and chronic conditions. As an introduction to its services, it is offering \$20 well-child visits for children ages 13 and younger from July 1 to August 31, 2013.

Fey & Grey Orthodontics

18807 Beardslee Blvd., Suite 101, Bothell
425-485-9633, braces@feyandgrey.com
www.feyandgrey.com

A well established father-daughter team, Fey & Grey Orthodontics provides orthodontic care for children and adults. Dr. Michael Fey and Dr. Kristina Grey are board certified members of the American Board of Orthodontics and are both on the faculty of the orthodontic department at the University of Washington. For more than 30 years, they've been providing the highest quality of orthodontic care to Bothell and the surrounding communities in a comfortable, warm and inviting atmosphere.

Seattle Naturopathy Acupuncture & Birth Center

2705 E. Madison St., Seattle
206-328-7929, info@snabc.com
<http://snabc.com>

In practice since 1986, SNABC offers naturopathic family care, acupuncture and natural childbirth in its licensed birth center or in-home. Most insurance plans are accepted.

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See also *Great Play of Redmond* under "Enrichment"



FITNESS

American Dance Institute

8001 Greenwood Ave. N., Seattle
206-783-0755,

info@americandanceinstitute.com
<http://americandanceinstitute.com>

Healthy, fun and engaging activities such as dance classes at American Dance Institute are like an insurance policy against idleness and boredom. Keep your child's body and mind active with one or more of ADI's many exciting classes including hip hop, breakdance, musical theater, ballet, contemporary, tap, jazz, Irish step, creative dance, pre-ballet and parent/toddler classes. Dance builds confidence, self-esteem, strength, coordination and poise. ADI's classes are non-intimidating. Students compete with their 'self best' rather than against others

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Lake Union Crew

11 E. Allison St., Seattle
206-860-4199, info@lakeunioncrew.com
www.lakeunioncrew.com

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Samena Club

15231 Lake Hills Blvd., Bellevue
425-746-1160, info@samena.com
www.samena.com

Samena offers a family experience like no other club in the area. It is a place where everyone can pursue an active lifestyle. From swim lessons and fitness classes to children's programming, there is something for everyone in the family. Samena has been operating a preschool for over 40 years, and before- and after-school care and summer camps for over 15 years. In that time, it has become the quality leader on the Eastside. Every family deserves a club like Samena, where families have been connecting and enriching the community through wellness, education and fun since 1958.

Swim Life

Underwater Sports, 10545 Aurora Ave. N., Seattle
206-200-9449, coachcarol@myswimlife.com
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Swim Life specializes in private lessons that are custom tailored for each student's needs. Using a gentle, fun approach to learning, it considers each student's learning style, emotional needs, physical abilities and skill level. Instructors are equipped to provide the safest, most effective, individualized lessons for every student. Swim Life offers a unique, holistic approach to learning to swim, utilizing toys and games that honor the physical, cognitive and emotional development and well-being of every student. Parents can participate in lessons, too. Focusing on the formula of skill + confidence = fun, its goal is to first ensure that all of the students know what to do if they fall in the water BEFORE they are taught how to play and have fun in it.

Tennis Center at Sand Point

7400 Sand Point Way N.E., Seattle
206-659-0498,
info@tenniscentersandpoint.com
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MamaCon – The Conference for ALL Moms
425-522-2417,
info@mamacon.net
www.mamacon.net

Everyone else has a conference, why not moms? They have the hardest job on the planet and deserve support and education so they can be the best mamas they can be. MamaCon – The Conference for ALL Moms offers a time-out from the juggling act with mini-workshops on parenting and life improvement, mini-spa treatments, a keynote speaker, lunch, shopping, wine and so much more.

PEPS (Program for Early Parent Support)

4649 Sunnyside Ave. N., Suite 324, Seattle
206-547-8570, peps@peps.org
www.peps.org
They say it takes a village. Thirty years later and 30,000+ families strong, that village is PEPs. PEPs forms neighborhood-based groups for new moms and dads that help parents connect, grow and share information and resources. For many parents, a PEPs group becomes a supportive community that lasts a lifetime. Each session of 12 weekly PEPs meetings brings parents together to share the joys and challenges of parenthood, and develop confidence in their own abilities. PEPs stands apart from other new moms groups or dad support groups by providing ongoing neighborhood-based resources and peer education, facilitated by trained volunteers. PEPs newborn groups start when babies are 0-4 months old. Groups for dads, older infants and parents with two kids are also available.

Seattle Nanny Network, Inc.

150 Lake St. S., Suite 216, Kirkland (by appt.)
425-803-9511 or 206-467-1999,
info@seattlenanny.com
www.seattlenanny.com
An award-winning company serving the Puget Sound area since 1997, the Seattle Nanny Network team is passionate about contributing to the industry by offering a highly personalized, customer service oriented HR experience for parents who wish to have care in their home, or companies who wish to provide it to their employees. Its reputation is for high caliber candidates who are exclusive to their network, and long term clients who become "members" of its program. Its "open file" placement packages offer full screening, backup care, replacement coverage, CPR/ First Aid Training and a variety of educational workshops for parents and their providers.

South Seattle Community College Parent Cooperative Preschool Program

Five locations in West Seattle
206-938-2278, jhall@southseattle.edu
<http://sites.southseattle.edu/homefile>
SSCC Cooperative Preschools offer a rich environment of learning activities that are developmentally appropriate for children ages birth to 5. They include creative arts, pretend play, science exploration, reading preparation, math manipulatives, climbing, music, etc. Each ses-

sion includes individual discovery and group time. Children build social skills, develop empathy, practice self-control and learn the joy of discovery through play and guided learning interactions. Because parents assist in class, the adult-to-child ratio is high. The choice of learning centers is wide and opportunities for critical thinking and social problem-solving are great. SSCC instructors teach child development and guidance tips to use at home and in the classroom. Each parent attends class once a week and chooses a co-op role based on interests and time available.

Washington FEAST

425-243-3278, leader@wafeast.org
www.wafeast.org

Non-profit supporting individuals at risk for food-induced anaphylaxis, eczema and asthma. Information and support are available through the website, a member-only listserve, meetings, events and more.

Washington State Heirloom Birth Certificate

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Children's Museum of Skagit County

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The Children's Museum of Skagit County offers amazing, real exhibits such as a semi-truck cab, 21-foot tug boat, theatre with costumes, art studio, toddler farmyard, dental office, 10-foot working crane, river exhibit with fishing, farmer's market, science zone, music studio and more. Rotating sponsored exhibits offer exciting new themes each month. Through educational exhibits and events, the museum provides a hands-on learning and exploration experience for children from birth to age 10 or 12. A variety of party packages are available including Basic, Frills and Themed along with evening rentals. Information about admissions, memberships, field trips, camps, classes, and studio experiences, including yoga, can be found online.

Its hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily except Sundays which are 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Toddler Tuesdays are from 8:30 to 10 a.m.

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The Hands On Children's Museum is the largest children's museum in the Pacific Northwest. Its mission is to stimulate curiosity, creativity and learning through fun, interactive exhibits and programs for children, families and school groups. Hands On believes that all children deserve respect and the opportunity to learn, and that families are important as children's first teachers and as their partners in learning. Its exhibits, preschool, camps, workshops and field trip programs are designed specifically to encourage interaction and inquiry, as well as participation from the entire family. Hands On partners with social service agencies, public schools, service clubs, public libraries and other community organizations to bring interactive education to the community.

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Just Frogs & Friends Amphibian Center

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www.justfrogs.com

A "Toadally Frogtastic" environment for all ages, Just Frogs & Friends Amphibian Center is a non-profit educational facility dedicated to the rescue of unwanted amphibians and reptiles. The center is supported by Just Frogs Toads Too Foundation, its fundraising efforts and donations. The center offers educational pet care and adoption programs facilitating positive, safe interactions with amphibians and reptiles as well as outreach programs and field trips to local schools and libraries, and private tours for families. The gift store carries specialty gift items for frog and turtle enthusiasts, in addition to balloons, gift baskets and gift wrapping. The center can host birthday parties and craft classes which are popular year-round.

Roaring Mouse Creative Arts Studio

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www.roaringmouse.org

Located in a cheerful, light-filled space in Ravenna, Roaring Mouse offers daily preschool and creative arts classes for kids ages 2½ to 5, with a teacher-student ratio of 2:15. Classes function as an emerging curriculum which means that a child expresses interest in something and then materials, projects and discussions enhance the child's learning process. So what starts with playing an instrument, might lead to an art project which might lead to acting out a story.

Roaring Mouse is known for its dedicated teaching staff, which includes teenage assistants, many of whom are former students. It also has a reputation for super-creative birthday parties, popular and award-winning after-school classes, holiday gift-making workshops and summer camps for kids ages 2½ to 11.

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See also Harmony Music Studio and Flute Flourish under "Enrichment"



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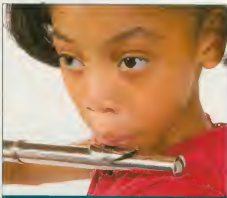
TEENS & TWEENS

PROMPT (Prompts for Retraining Oral Muscular Phonetic Targets) training, as well as training in parent and caregiver education, Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS) and the use of Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) systems include iPad applications. PSLT therapists are contracted with most major insurance companies.

StartWrite LLC

At home or school
206-399-3553, rebecca@startwritelc.com
www.startwritelc.com

StartWrite focuses on handwriting difficulty and underlying developmental delays, providing engaging and effective occupational therapy evaluation and treatment in the child's natural environment.



TEENS & TWEENS

American Dance Institute

8001 Greenwood Ave. N., Seattle
206-783-0755,
info@americandanceinstitute.com
http://americandanceinstitute.com
Healthy, fun and engaging teen activities such as dance classes at American Dance Institute are like an insurance policy against idleness, boredom and mischief. Teens can stay active with one or more of ADI's many exciting classes including hip hop, breakdance, musical theater, ballet, contemporary, tap, jazz, Irish step and flamenco. Dance builds confidence and self-esteem. Dance develops strength, coordination and poise. ADI's classes are non-intimidating. Students are taught to compete with their 'self best' rather than against others who may have more or less natural ability. Its methods, exclusive to ADI, foster inclusiveness and camaraderie. Students willingly try new steps, leaps and lessons without fear of criticism, ridicule or snickering. No one does it better than ADI. It has a 25-year track record with 10,000 satisfied students to prove it.

Cornish College of the Arts

Summer at Cornish 2013
1000 Lenora St., Seattle
206-726-5148, summer@cornish.edu
www.cornish.edu/summer
Cornish College of the Arts is the Northwest's premier visual and performing arts college.

Summer at Cornish offers a variety of courses and workshops in art and design, music, theater, and dance for high school students, adults and children. Summer at Cornish places kids in classes with professional artists to hone their creative skills, gain a depth of knowledge about a particular discipline, and for high school students, earn college credit and experience college life. Courses vary in price from \$165 to \$2000. Housing and scholarships are available for students ages 15 to 18. Register by Friday, May 3, 2013 to receive 10% off course tuition.

Fusion Math

2920 N.E. Blakeley St., Suite B, Seattle
206-707-9160

www.fusionmath.com
Fusion Math is Seattle's premier destination for math tutoring in all levels from elementary through college math, including physics, chemistry and biology. It offers one-to-one tutoring, test prep (SAT, ACT, ISEE) and flat-fee drop-in tutoring in a comfortable space near University Village. Fusion Math believes in strong fundamentals and teaches number theory to help students do math without calculators. The tutor's job is to teach math and science, as well as serve as academic mentors. Fusion Math helps students realize that preparation for a math exam means practicing many problems and it has 200 square feet of whiteboard space. Good test-taking skills mean good problem-solving skills.

Gifted with ADD

Sessions available in North Seattle or remotely (phone, text, Skype, etc.)
206-326-8446, margit@margitcrane.com
http://giftedwithadd.com
An AD/HD trailblazer, award-winning author, and veteran teacher and school counselor, Margit Crane provides customized strategies and personalized support to AD/HD families and adults on school or work issues, communication, behavior, focus, time management and motivation.

"Margit has a gift of being kind and funny while being totally honest about what needs to change and then she supports you every step of the way as you make those changes. Working with Margit, I no longer felt alone. I had a partner who believed in me and in my boys, a partner I could be totally honest with about my actions and my feelings with full confidence that I would not be judged or criticized. Ever." – Former Client

Classes and workshops for parents, schools and community organizations are listed online at <http://margitcrane.com/classes/speaking-topics/>.

Girl Scouts of Western Washington

800-541-9852, info@girlscoutswa.org
www.girlscoutswa.org

Girl Scouts of Western Washington gives girls the opportunity to do all kinds of amazing things with others who share their dreams and who might become friends for life. It offers

many incredible opportunities, including joining a troop, going to summer camp, learning to horseback ride, building a working robot with LEGO's, travelling to exciting destinations and more. One girl can make a difference. Together, girls can change the world.

Girl Scouts of Western Washington serves more than 26,000 girls in grades K to 12 with the help of nearly 13,000 volunteers.

Schack Art Center

2921 Hoyt Ave., Everett
425-259-5050, artsinfo@schack.org
http://schack.org

Located in downtown Everett, the Schack Art Center is an admission-free visual arts center featuring diverse artwork from locally and internationally known professional artists, as well as emerging young talents. The main gallery provides a first-class view into the world of glassblowing. Visitors are welcome to watch this fascinating process while admiring the latest exhibit. Schack also encourages everyone to discover their inner artist, develop new skills, enjoy time with friends, or create gifts for loved ones in one of its many art classes for youth, teens and adults. Schack Art Center is a first-class learning facility with four production studios that accommodate a wide variety of mediums.

YMCA Camps Orkila & Colman

Orcas Island (Camp Orkila)
Longbranch, on Key Peninsula (Camp Colman)
206-382-5009,
colmanorkilainfo@seattleymca.org
http://camporkila.org & http://campcolman.org

With a traditional camp experience in a gorgeous setting at YMCA Camp Colman or Camp Orkila, kids learn about themselves, their surroundings and living in community. Through age-appropriate activities based on the values of respect, responsibility, honesty and caring, campers enjoy arts and crafts, swimming, boating, archery, climbing, sports, the giant swing and more. Campers are sure to leave with a sense of achievement, personal growth and independence.

See also Mercer Education in "Education"
See also Tennis Center at Sand Point in "Fitness"

Looking for ways your teens and tweens can help out in the community while gaining valuable work experience? See Doing Good – starting on page 7 – for a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. Check out our website also at seattlechild.com for more learning and fun options for ages 10 to 18.

- A Nanny for U** – Pregnancy/Baby; Childcare
American Dance Institute – Enrichment; Fitness; Party; Teens & Tweens
Annie's Nannies – Childcare
Associated Recreation Council – Enrichment
Baby Diaper Service – Pregnancy/Baby
Bastyr Center for Health – Health; Parent Education & Support
Bella Photography – Pregnancy/Baby; Photography
Best in Class Education Centers – Education; Enrichment
Book-It Repertory Theatre – Family Fun
Brand New Soul Photography – Pregnancy/Baby; Photography
Bunnies for Birthdays – Family Fun; Party!
Burke Museum – Enrichment; Family Fun
Canine Behavior Center – Enrichment; Services
CareWorks Innovative Nanny Solutions – Pregnancy/Baby; Childcare
Cascade Bicycle Club – Enrichment; Family Fun
CedarSong Nature School – Education
Chess4Life – Enrichment
Child Custody Resolutions – Parent Education & Support; Services
Childish Things – Retail
Children's Museum of Skagit County – Enrichment; Family Fun; Party!
Cornish College of the Arts – Enrichment; Teens & Tweens
Cougar Mountain Academy – Education; Enrichment
Creative Mom Toys – Family Fun; Retail
DBar Productions – See Eastside Recording Parties
Dee's Music Room – Enrichment
Department of Early Learning – See "Keep Kids Safe License Plates" OR "Early Achievers Childcare Rating System" OR "Washington State Heirloom Birth Certificates"
Destination Science – Enrichment
DigiPen Institute of Technology – Education; Enrichment
Early Achievers Childcare Rating System – Childcare; Education
Eastside Recording Parties – Family Fun; Party!
Fey & Grey Orthodontics – Health
First Tee of Greater Seattle, The – Education; Enrichment
Flute Flourish – Enrichment
French American School of Puget Sound – Education
Fun Piano Lessons – Enrichment
Fusion Math – Education; Enrichment; Teen & Tweens
Gifted with ADD – Parent Education & Support; Teens & Tweens
Girl Scouts of Western Washington – Enrichment; Teens & Tweens
Great Play of Redmond – Enrichment; Parties
Hamlin Robinson School – Education; Special Needs
Hands On Children's Museum – Enrichment; Family Fun; Party!
Happy Children's Music – Childcare; Enrichment
Harmony Music Studio – Enrichment; Special Needs
Heaven Sent Children's Resale – Retail
Hidden Valley Camp – Enrichment
Hillcrest Training and Sales – Enrichment; Fitness
Jamtown – Enrichment; Family Fun; Party!
Jean Gant Counseling and Consultation – Counseling, Therapy, Support
Judi Julin, RN, Nannybroker, Inc. – Pregnancy/Baby; Childcare
Just Frogs & Friends Amphibian Center – Enrichment; Party!
Kamp Kookamunga – Enrichment
Keep Kids Safe License Plates (DEL) – Safety
Kids Discovery Museum (KiDiMu) – Enrichment; Family Fun
Kirkland Arts Center – Enrichment
La Petite Famille – Childcare; Education
Lake Union Crew – Enrichment; Fitness
Law Office of Mary Anne Vance – Services
Le Petit Village French Immersion School – Education
Lynnwood Parks & Recreation – See "Kamp Kookamunga"
MamaCon – Parent Education & Support
Margit Crane – See "Gifted with ADD"
Medina Montessori – Education
Mercer Education – Education; Enrichment
Michael Good Photography – Photography
Montessori School of Seattle – Education
Morningside Academy – Education; Enrichment
Music with Kaija – Education; Enrichment
Music Works Northwest – Enrichment
New Horizon School – Education; Special Needs
No Blink Photography – Photography
North Seattle Chaillights – Enrichment; Family Fun
Northwest Boychoir – Enrichment
Northwest School, The – Education
Open Window School – Education; Enrichment
Pediatric Speech & Language Therapy – Services; Special Needs
PEPS – Adoption, Pregnancy, New Baby; Parent Education & Support
Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium – Education; Family Fun
Preschool at the Harbor (P.A.T.H.) – Education
Roaring Mouse Creative Arts Studio – Enrichment; Party!
Samena Club – Education; Fitness
Sammamish Montessori – Childcare; Education
Sasha's Preschool – Education
Schack Art Center – Enrichment; Teens & Tweens
Seattle Audubon – Enrichment
Seattle Green Earth Cleaning – Home; Services
Seattle Jewish Community School – Education; Religion
Seattle Nanny Network – Childcare; Parent Education & Support
Seattle Naturopathy Acupuncture & Birth Center – Health
Shaver Marionettes – Family Fun; Parties
Smith Brothers Farms – Food; Home; Services
Soundview School – Childcare; Education
South Seattle Community College Parent Cooperative Preschools – Education; Parent Education & Support
St. Joseph School – Education
St. Thomas School – Education
StartWrite, LLC – Education; Services
Stroum Jewish Community Center (SJCC) Early Childhood School – Education
Sunshine Music Together – Enrichment; Family Fun
Swim Life – Enrichment; Safety
Tennis Center at Sand Point – Enrichment; Fitness
Thriving Child – Counseling, Therapy, Support
Top Ten Toys – Parties; Retail
Traxx Racing – Family Fun; Party!
University Prep – Education
UW Robinson Center – Education; Enrichment
Vegetarians of Washington – Food; Health & Fitness
Verity Credit Union – Services
Villa Academy – Education
Virtuosio Music – Enrichment
Washington FEAST – Parent Education & Support
Washington State Heirloom Birth Certificates – Pregnancy/Baby; Parent Education & Support
Wendy Warman Consultation and Counseling Services – Counseling, Therapy, Support; Parent Education & Support
Wing Luke Museum – Family Fun
Woodland Park Zoo – Enrichment; Family Fun
Xakary, Children's Magician – Family Fun; Parties
Yanvalou Drum School – Enrichment; Family Fun
YMCA Camps Orkila & Colman – Enrichment; Teens & Tweens

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